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## Children's Corner.

### TWINS AT THE WEST.

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(Continued.)

DEAR VALLEY—HUNTING GROUND—ANGEL  
MOVERS—FOUR—Last night, when the north  
and south banks of the Ohio, both on the north  
and south banks of the Ohio, was once used by  
the Indians for a hunting ground. The wild tur-  
key, in countless flocks, roamed at large through  
the dense forests, feeding on acorns and nuts from  
the oak and chestnut trees. And where the  
acorns and under brush had been burnt by the  
Autumn fires of the hunters, as far as the eye  
could reach, the ground was covered with the  
richest verdure of all kinds, and deer and buffalo in  
vast herds, seemed to invite the hunter to the chase.  
In the Spring of the year nothing could exceed  
the beauty of the scene. Wild flowers of every  
hue covered hill and dale, and the waving forest  
spread out its leaves and blossoms and added per-  
fume to the air. At this season, as well as in the  
autumn, the silence of the forest was broken by  
the Indian hunter, who came twice a year to  
procure a supply of game.

This lovely region, even then, was often the  
scene of bloody conflicts. Fierce tribes of war-  
riors came down from the head waters of the Ohio,  
mowed their canoes by the banks of the river,  
and made war on those who lived along its banks.  
They could glide down the river very easily  
for hundreds of miles, and find an ample sup-  
ply of food, for it is said that the waters were  
swarming with fish of various kinds.

We have reason to believe that a race of men,  
not at all like the Indians, once lived in this  
valley of the Ohio. They built forts to protect them  
from the attacks of their foes, and ruins of those  
forts still remain. The ruins of high hills, near  
the shores, are remains of the watch towers which  
they built to command a view of the river, so that  
they could light signal fires to warn their people  
of the approach of the foe. In many parts of the  
State are mounds and forts, which were built by  
the Indians. And they, too, are buried  
very many years ago. Some of their bones have  
been dug up, and we see that they were not at all  
like the Indians. Their bones are more like those  
of the Egyptians, and the giants spoken of in  
the Bible.

When the twins saw all these things, they felt  
sure that a race of men had lived in this western  
country before the Indians. But from what part  
of the world they came, and how long they lived  
here, they were unable to tell. They were  
very many years ago. Some of their bones have  
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(To be continued.)

### CITY OF THE DEAD.

Alas! can I ever forget the wintery day,  
When I saw the city of the dead,  
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It is better to live in hearts than in houses.  
To be remembered, to be loved, to live in hearts;  
this, dear children, is better than to have a home  
in the most splendid mansions of earth. If we are  
living to God, we shall have a home in the hearts  
of all His children. Not only so, but a  
man's more magnificent than any earthly pal-  
ace, shall be our everlasting home in Heaven.

What is a boy who makes a wagon of a cent,  
like a recovering from illness? Answer—He  
is a little better.

## Poetry.

### THE WINDS OF MARCH ARE HUMMING.

BY VITE-GREENE HALLICK.

The winds of March are humming  
Their parting song, their parting song,  
And summer days are coming,  
And summer days are coming,  
I watch, but not in gladness,  
Our garden tree, our garden tree;  
It buds, in sober sadness,  
Too soon for me, too soon for me.  
My second winter's over,  
Alas! and I, alas! and I  
Have no accepted lover:  
Don't ask me why, don't ask me why.

'Tis not asleep or idle  
That love has been, that love has been;  
For many a happy bridal  
The year has seen, the year has seen;  
I've done a bride's duty,  
At three or four, at three or four;  
My best bouquet had beauty,  
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My second winter's over,  
Alas! and I, alas! and I  
Have no accepted lover:  
Don't ask me why, don't ask me why.

His flowers my bosom shaded  
One sunny day, one sunny day;  
The next, they fled and faded,  
Deau and bouquet, deau and bouquet.  
In vain, at balls and parties,  
I've thrown my heart, I've thrown my heart.  
This waiting, watching heart is  
Unchosen yet, unchosen yet.

My second winter's over,  
Alas! and I, alas! and I  
Have no accepted lover:  
Don't ask me why, don't ask me why.  
They tell me there's no hurry  
For hymen's ring, for hymen's ring;  
And I'm too young to marry:  
'Tis no such thing, 'tis no such thing.  
The next spring tides will dash on  
My eighteenth year, my eighteenth year;  
It puts me in a passion,  
Oh dear, oh dear! oh dear, oh dear!

My second winter's over,  
Alas! and I, alas! and I  
Have no accepted lover:  
Don't ask me why, don't ask me why.  
With silent awe I hail the sacred morn,  
When slowly wakes up all the breeze are still;  
A soothing calm on every face is borne,  
A graver murmur surges from the rill.  
The old man's sighs from the hill,  
And after comes the lament from the dorn—  
The sky-lark warbles in a tone less shrill,  
Hail! hark! hark! hark! hark! hark! hark!

### A SABBATH MORNING SONNET.

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## CHARLIE AND HIS YOUTHFUL FRIENDS.

Come now, my dear boys, confess what you've  
done,  
To your loving kind Father on high,  
You cannot conceal from the all-seeing one  
The fact that you're telling a lie.

So said the young teacher of Birmingham school,  
To Charlie, when no one was nigh.  
He grieved that his pupil had broken a rule,  
Still more that he'd told her a lie.  
His face, once so joyous, was then very sad,  
His heart was too full to reply,  
As Miss Mary pressed home, on the dear little lad,  
The fact of his telling a lie.

Oh, come now, in penitence tell me, dear boy,  
The whole truth, and then we will try  
To ask the dear Savior his grace to employ,  
To guard you from telling a lie.  
But though the child wore a sad look of distress,  
No penitent tear dimmed his eye,  
All arguments failed—Charlie would not confess  
That he had been telling a lie.

The teacher stood there—with her heart raised in  
prayer,  
To one whom she felt ever nigh,  
Oh how could she hear that her pupil should dare  
To give him by telling a lie.

Dear Father I know not what course to pursue,  
Oh guide me, she said, with a sigh,  
I am young, and too helpless to know what to do  
With a child who is telling a lie.

Leave not this dear child to perish, I pray,  
Oh listen, and hear my sad cry,  
What more can I say? I must send him away,  
He will not repent of this lie.

A change was soon wrought, when Miss Mary  
was taught  
By God, her kind Father on high,  
That his word must be brought, and thence must  
be sought,  
His threatenings to those who will lie.

Charlie reads of the joys of the ransomed above,  
And learns that this home in the sky,  
Forever is closed by our Father, in love,  
From those who on earth love to lie.

### A FAIR HIT.

ABOUT the time the temperance reformation be-  
gan, a well-dressed farmer told his hired man,  
that he thought of trying to do his work without  
him, and asked him how much more he should  
give him to do without it. The man told him  
that he might give him what he pleased. "Well,"  
said the farmer, "I will give you a sheep, if you  
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